

Intergenerational Mobility in American History (Ward, WP)

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Overview

- *Research Question:* Existing research shows that relative mobility has declined for the last 150 years. Is this true?
- *Problem 1:* Long-run mobility estimates only use data on white people.
- *Problem 2:* Parental status is measured with error.
- *Findings:* There is more equality of opportunity now than ever before (but largely because there was a ton of inequality to start with).

Adding Data on Black Mobility

Hello world

Accounting for Measurement Error

Hello world

Conclusions

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